

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for
TRANS., INFRASTRUCT. & CAPITALS
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Date: March 13, 2002

Place: Supreme Court Chamber

Convened: 10:24 AM

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Adjourned: 11:40 AM

Present: Senator Jensen-CH
Representatives Gipp-CH, Weidman-VC, Cohoon-RM, Huseman, Kuhn, Rayhons, Rekow,
Warnstadt

Absent:

Excused: Senators Lamberti-VC, Connolly, Soukup-RM, McKibben
Representative Fallon

Representative Gipp called the meeting to order and roll was taken. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

The Chair introduced members of the Iowa Public Airports Association in attendance. William Flannery, Past President of the Iowa Public Airports Association, and current Director of the Des Moines Airport. He spoke of the survival of small airport facilities, while receiving serious reductions in airport revenue.

Bob Boleyn, incoming president, of the Iowa Public Airports Association, asked that their whole program not be cut in this years budget. Questions were answered from committee members.

Michael Salamone, Department of Aviation Director, Stated that airports play an important role in their community and it seems counter-productive to cut revenue to airports.

Pam Bonrud, of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, was introduced and spoke of work being done on a test drilling and aquifer site near Vermillion, South Dakota. They hope to have the project finalized by May 2002. They are requesting 6.8 million from the Transportation and Infrastructure & Capitals Subcommittee.

The Chair introduced Jeff Vonk, Director Department of Natural Resources.

In the Chairman's absence, Senator Jensen assumed the Chair, at 11:12 AM.

Mr. Vonk stated that one of the department's top priorities is monitoring water and air quality stations, and funding to do this properly. One half million dollars for emissions control is needed.

Other projects discussed were; Lake dredging near Storm Lake, Destination State Parks, and Restore the Outdoors. These will be looked at.

Senator Jensen moved to adjourn.

Representative Gipp, Committee Chairman

Myrtle Jensen, Committee Secretary